

Europe/US Market Update - 5th March 2020



Europe/US Markets (from Globex open)

4-Mar-20	GOLD		SILVER		PLATINUM		PALLADIUM	
	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer	Bid	Offer
OPEN	1642.20	1642.70	17.2550	17.2750	884.50	886.50	2505.00	2535.00
HIGH	1649.20	1649.70	17.2900	17.3100	883.50	885.50	2522.50	2552.50
LOW	1632.00	1632.50	17.0850	17.1050	867.00	869.00	2418.00	2448.00
CLOSE	1636.90	1637.40	17.2125	17.2325	876.50	878.50	2523.50	2553.50
EFP	0.65	0.75	-0.0075	0.0025	-1.50	-0.50	-115.00	-75.00
Active Contract	GCJ0 Comdty		SIK0 Comdty		PLI0 Comdty		PAM0 Comdty	

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MACRO

- US equities remain volatile after Wednesdays surprise rate cut.
- The Dow climbed 1,173.45 points to 27,090.86, the S&P 500 rose 126.75 points to 3,130.12, while the Nasdaq gained 334.00 points to 9,018.09.
- Wins for healthcare (+5.81%) and utilities (+5.69%) lead a broad advance in the markets.
- The VIX gauge fell 13.12% to 31.99.
- The US dollar index firmed 0.23% to 97.37, the EUR was as low as 1.1107, while USD/JPY was up to 107.65.
- US treasury yields were mixed, the 2 year yield slipped 1.6 bps to 0.641% while the 10 year yield added 1.8 bps to 0.989%.
- European shares were higher, the EuroSTOXX put on 1.36%, the German DAX rose 1.19%, while the UK FTSE advanced 1.45%.
- Oil prices were lower, Brent shed 2.6% to \$51.28 while WTI sold off 2.1% to \$46.89.
- Base metals were broadly higher, with nickel (+1.0%) leading the gains.
- In US economic data, the private sector added 183k jobs in February according to the ADP

report.

• The ISM non-manufacturing index rose to 57.3% in February.

PRECIOUS

- A session of consolidation for the precious after Tuesday's rise.
- Gold popped up to the session high \$1652 early in Asia before retracing to opening levels.
- The metal traded between \$1640-50 for most of the AM session in London.
- Gold was quiet through NY trading as a risk-on tone returned to the markets.
- The yellow metal closed the session slightly lower at \$1636.
- Silver traded sideways before closing flat at \$17.20 and PGMs remained rangebound.
- The Philadelphia gold and silver index rose 1.19% to 102.67.

PRE-ASIA COMMENTS

- Asian markets open higher on Walls St's lead.
- Ahead today:
- US Weekly Jobless Claims
- US Productivity
- US Unit Labor Costs
- US Factory Orders

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